# OAHU FAMILY LAW SECTION 2014 Child Support Guidelines 4.10.2015

Office of Child Support Hearings "Perspectives"

### PRACTICE TIPS

# RESPONSIBLE CREATIVITY

REGRET

### GRATITUDE

### PRACTICE TIPS: PRE-HEARING REQUESTS

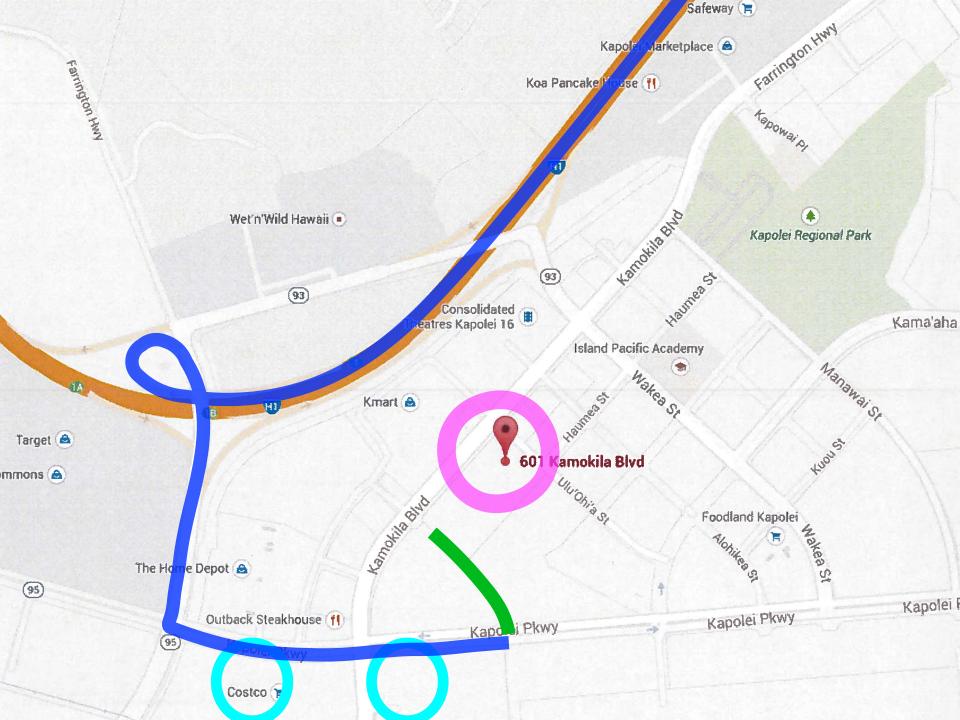
Forms on website:

Phone, Continuance, Consolidate, Interpreters, Special Accommodations, Interpreters, Subpoenas

If no response...

Fax to OCSH immediately 808-692-7114

Assigned
Hearings Officer
decides



### **DOCUMENTS**

Exhibits—copies for everyone

Redact SSNs

Financial account numbers

Addresses

Phone numbers

Telephone hearings

Mobile devices

1 copy to CSEA

1 copy to OCSH

FAX: 808-692-7114

1 copy to other party

# SERVICE OF PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

Certified mail or process server

Regular mail

Update CSEA with current address

# RESPONSIBLE CREATIVITY

45 CFR §302.56 (f) and (g)

Written or specific finding

Unjust or inappropriate

Best interests of the child

Worksheet calculation

I look for three things in a new hire: energy, creativity, and integrity. But if you don't get the last thing, the first two will kill you.

Warren Buffet

# RESPONSIBLE CREATIVITY

Post 9-11 GI Bill

Pre-Decree

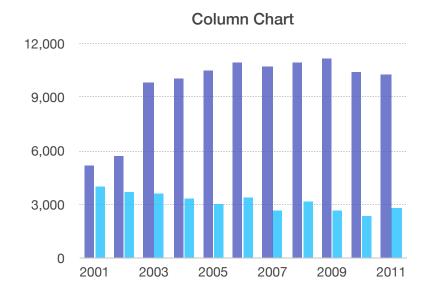
**Paternities** 

#### **Total Number of Paternities and Total Number of Support Orders**

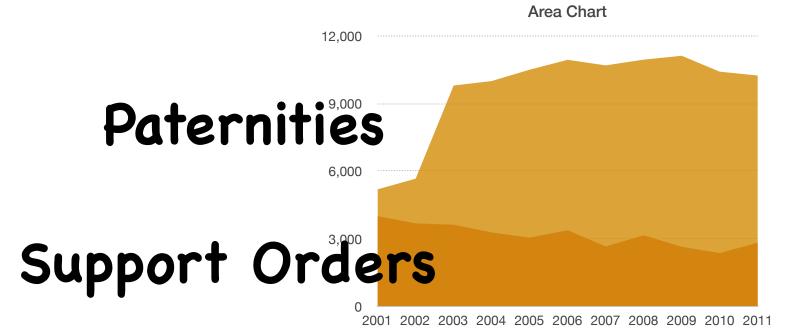
FY Annual Report	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Total Paternities	5,198	5,671	9,800	9,999	10,501
Support Orders	4,007	3,688	3,627	3,288	3,056

#### Total # of Paternities and Total Number of Support Orders by Year

FY Annual Report	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Total Paternities	10,940	10,693	10,947	11,119	10,414	10,243
Support Orders	3,384	2,667	3,161	2,650	2,372	2,831



# Paternities Support Orders



#### ADMINISTRATIVE OR EXECUTIVE BRANCH

**GOVERNOR** 

ATTORNEY GENERAL

OCSH (tribunal)

CSEA (enforcement)

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS FOR CHILD SUPPORT

OCSH (tribunal)

CSEA (enforcement)

OCSH is NOT CSEA CSEA is NOT OCSH

### **CSEA**

#### Obtain and enforce orders

Accounting and record keeping Federal rules - timelines Welfare, Quest, foster care

#### Collection and Payment processing

Two days to process

Multiple payors and payees

Parents with more than one family

Multiple orders

### **OCSH**

Function: ALJs

Due process
Fair and impartial hearings
Final orders (Circuit Court)

Did not create the proposed order

Involved **AFTER** CSEA schedules the contested hearing

### ADMINISTO ATIVE

Request a
Hearing
Party mails to CSEA

Notice of
Hearing

Mailed by OCSH

Proposed
Administrative
Order

Prepared by CSEA

Consent or Contested Hearing

Conducted by OCSH

Prehearing Conference

**ESS** 

usually with CSEA

Apply for services

Preliminary information gathering by CSEA

Appeal

If you don't agree, don't consent

#### PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

#### Defines the issues (like a complaint)

**Establishment** 

Modification

**Termination** 

Arrearages or Debt

Medical insurance

### Created by CSEA not OCSH

Doesn't say it's proposed

time-sharing, split, incomes, terminations, liquidations

**Anchoring** 

### >70% resolved

### REGRET? 1st day of hearing

ADR or collaborative practice alternatives

Practical, procedural shortcuts

Schedule hearings more like Family Court?

Address issues before proposed orders

Faster, more effective

Less paper & resources

Less confusion and upset

### MAHALO!